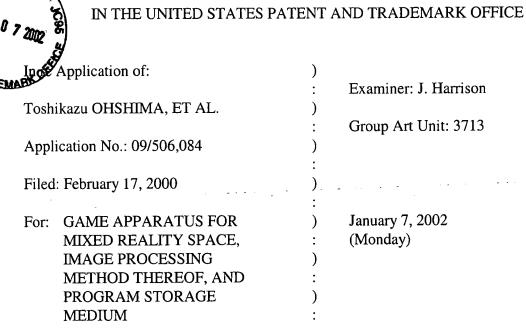
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PATENT APPLICATION



Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2001 to Monday, January 7, 2002. A check in the amount of \$920.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-9, 11-18, 20-28, 30-37 and 39 as follows. A marked-up copy of the amended claims showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

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